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I have to side with Microsoft. Tandy used to sell prepackaged software (Deskmate). How many others have had packaged software ? You get a successful business that produces a product that sells and the competition gets jealous. Thats all it is. Microsoft products are innovative state of the art competitively priced offer Internet based upgrades etc. If more software companies would spend as much time working on their products rather than time and money complaining about the competition maybe they would hold a better place in the market. As far as government intervention I think it is an American shame that politicians want to tell someone what they can and can t do when that company is a legal business that offers an Operating System that is easy to use for all ages. My mother just started using her first P/C on mother s day of 2001. She has the Windows O/S. She is 73 years old. She is on the Internet as well. Thanks to Microsoft she is living her elder years without boredom because of a product she can work with so easily. I could go on and on but as for me I praise Gates and his crew for what they have accomplished.